

FAMILY OPEN STUDIO HELPS FAMILIES CREATE ART

“Natural Connections” Exhibition Presents Next Studio on September 15

Family Open Studios are free art making workshops held in conjunction with exhibitions at the William D. Cannon Art Gallery in the Carlsbad City Library Complex at 1775 Dove Lane off El Camino Real. Each exhibition at the Cannon Art Gallery includes one Saturday hands-on workshop offered for the whole family's participation. After a visit through the Gallery, an activity related to the exhibition and suited to all age levels is presented in the outdoor Courtyard. Assisted by professional artist/educator and volunteers, participants create their own works of art to take home. All materials and workspace are provided. Each workshop takes place from 11am to 2pm; no reservations are required and participants may arrive and depart at will.

The next Family Open Studio takes place on Saturday, September 15th from 11 am to 2pm. The current exhibition, *Natural Connections*, features the work of two San Diego State University Art professors - ceramic sculptor Joanne Hayakawa and landscape painter Gail Roberts. Both artists take inspiration for their imagery from nature and their works share a concern for natural resources. After viewing the exhibition, Family Open Studio participants, working with artist/educators, can learn about the elements of art: line, color, shape/form, texture, value, and space. Using a variety of materials, each person can make art relating to the exhibition or exploring other subjects.

A program of the Cultural Arts Office/City of Carlsbad, the William D. Cannon Art Gallery is a focal point for arts and culture in San Diego's North County, offering a broad range of exhibitions, school and family programs, gallery tours, lectures and publications to the community. The Gallery is located in the Carlsbad City Library Complex at 1775 Dove Lane off El Camino Real and is open to the public Tuesdays through Sundays. For information on Family Open Studios and all Gallery programs, contact the Carlsbad Arts Info Line (760) 434-2904 or the Gallery (760) 602-2021 or visit the website, www.carlsbadca.gov/arts.